है, को चार्ज करने के लिए स्थानीय उपलब्ध विद्युत की आपूर्ति की व्यवस्था की जाती है।

(ङ) मध्य प्रदेश में स्थित अति अल्प शक्ति ट्रांसमीटर, जशपुरनगर के सामन्य रूप से कार्य करने की रिपोर्ट मिली है, तथापि, उपलब्ध करवायी गयी विद्युत आपूर्ति एक अतिरिक्त व्यवस्था है और कम वोल्टेज तथा बारम्बार व्यवधान के कारण इस पर अत्यधिक निर्भर नहीं रहा जा सकता।

Doordarshan Transmission in Tribal Areas of Gujarat

1466. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many tribal areas in Gujarat are not within the transmission range of Doordarshan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to bring the tribal areas of the State within transmission range of Doordarshan?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (c) The tribal sub-plan district of Gujarat viz. Banaskantha, Bharuch, Dangs, Panchmahals, Surat, Vadodara, Valaad and Sabarkantha, are at present, covered by 28 transmitters (25 LPTs, 3 VLPTs) viz-a-viz 51 transmitters of varying powers operating in the State. With a view to further improve TV coverage in the Hitherto uncovered tribal sub-plan areas of the State, 2 HPTs and 6 LPTs are presently under imlementation at Surat, Vadodara, Radhanpur, Jhagadia, Vyara, Dharampur, Umargaon and Madassa respectively.

National Policy on Television

1467. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any steps to evolve a National Policy on Television inclduing Cable TV in the context of growing display of crime, violence and obscenity on the small screen, and unchecked advertisements of liquor and tobacco companies and its influence on the children and the youth; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the basic guidelines, if any, evolved and laid down for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) As of now, Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan) previews all its programmes before they are telecast to ensure that they do not contain any excessive violence or vulgarity which may have adverse effect on the viewers. The preview also ensure that programmes are in accordance with the programme Code and Advertisement Code. The Government have introduced an Amendment Bill for restoring the provisions of the Prasar Bharati (Broadcasting Corporation of India) Act, 1990, which, inter-alia, envisages establishment of a Broadcasting Council to monitor all programmes telecast on Doordarshan. The Cable Networks are governed by the provisions of the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995 and the Cable Television networks Rules, 1994. Section 5 and 6 of the act require that the programmes/ advertisements carried on channels which can be received only with the help of specialised gadgets/decoders, adhere to the prescribed Programme/Advertisement Codes. So far as Liquor &

Tobacco advertisements are concerned, there is a proposal at a very formative stage to regulate the same on satellite channels.

दूरदर्शन केन्द्रों द्वारा अपनायी गई स्थानान्तरण नीति

1468. **श्री अखिलेश दास:** क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) दूरदर्शन के किन-किन केन्द्रों के कर्मचारियों के 30 अप्रैल, 1998 तक स्थानान्तरण करने के आदेश जारी किये गये हैं;

(ख) तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) किन-किन केन्द्रों में कितने कर्मचारी एक दशक से भी अधिक समय से उसी केन्द्र में तैनात हैं; और

(घ) क्या दूरदर्शन की कोई स्थायी तथा निर्धारित स्थानान्तरण नीति है और यदि है, तो इसका ब्यौरा क्या है और इसका किस सीमा तक पालन किया जा रहा है?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री तथा संचार मंत्री (श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज): (क) से (ग) इस प्रकार की सूचना केन्द्रीय तौर पर संकलित रूप से नहीं रखी जाती है क्योंकि कर्मचारियों का स्थानान्तरण एक विकेन्द्रीकृत तथा सतत् प्रक्रिया है।

(घ) स्थानान्तरण नीति में, अन्य बातों के साथ-साथ विभिन्न दूरदर्शन केन्द्रों का उनके स्थान, सुविधाओं आदि के अनुसार वर्गीकरण किया जाता है। इसमें किसी केन्द्र विशेष में तैनाती की अवधि भी निर्धारित की जाती है। संबंधित कर्मचारी के प्रामाणिक अनुरोध, प्रशासनिक अत्यावश्यकता, जनहित को ध्यान में रखते हुए स्थानान्तरण नीति में निर्धारित मार्ग-निर्देशों का विस्तृत रूप से अनुपालन किया जाता है।

Decision on Telecast of Miss Universe Pageant

1469. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an abrupt decision has been taken not to live telecast the Miss Universe pageant although negotiations for the telecast rights were said to have reached a crucial stage and were close to finish;

(b) if so, the reasons for the sudden decision to the negative;

(c) the policy guidelines issued, if any, in this regard; and

(d) the likely fall out of the decision in the industry and action taken on representations, if any, received in this behalf?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) (d) Decision relating to specific programmes are taken by Prasar Bharati. There are no separate guidelines, and telecast of programmes is decided on the merits.

Industry Status to Films

1470. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that Government have decided to grant industry status to Indian films; and

(b) if so, the details of the proposal and the reaction of the various interests, especially the financial institutions?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Consequent to this decision, this Ministry has initiated proposals with the primary objective of making film production and other related activities eligible for institutional and bank finance.

It has also been decided to set up a Development Council for the film industry to address the various issues and problems faced by them and suggest appropriate measures for the overall growth and development of the film industry. In addition, an Export Promotion body is proposed to be constituted to actively promote the export